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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRONIC FILING OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENTS, DISSOLUTION REPORTS, AND
DISCLOSURE REPORTS BY CANDIDATES FOR STATEWIDE OFFICE
OR FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ESTABLISHING A FILING
DEADLINE FOR ALL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS, PROVIDING A
PENALTY, AND PROVIDING APPLICABILITY DATES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 68A.401, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

1. All statements and reports required to be filed under
this chapter shall be filed with the board as provided in
section 68A.402, subsection 1. The board shall ~~provide copies~~
~~of post on its internet website~~ all statements and reports
filed under this chapter ~~for a county, city, school, or other~~
~~political subdivision to the commissioner responsible under~~
~~section 47.2.~~ For purposes of this section, the term
"statement" does not include a bank statement.

Sec. 2. Section 68A.401, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

NEW PARAGRAPH. a. A candidate's committee of a candidate
for statewide office or the general assembly shall file all
statements and reports in an electronic format by four-thirty
p.m. of the day the filing is due and according to rules
adopted by the board. Any other candidate or political
committee may submit the statements and reports in an
electronic format as prescribed by rule.

NEW PARAGRAPH. b. If the board determines that a
violation of this subsection has occurred, the board may
impose any of the remedies or penalties provided for under
section 68B.32D, except that the board shall not refer any
complaint or supporting information of a violation of this
section to the attorney general or any county attorney for
prosecution.

Sec. 3. Section 68A.402, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

1. FILING METHODS. Each committee shall file with the
board reports disclosing information required under this
section on forms prescribed by rule. Reports shall be filed
on or before the required due dates by using any of the
following methods: mail bearing a United States postal
service postmark, hand-delivery, facsimile transmission, or
electronic filing as prescribed by rule. Any report that is
required to be filed five days prior to an election must be
physically received by the board to be considered timely
filed. For purposes of this section, "physically received"
means the report is either electronically filed using the
board's electronic filing system or is received by the board
prior to four-thirty p.m. on the report due date.

Sec. 4. Section 68A.403, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

1. ~~A~~ Unless filed in an electronic format in accordance
with section 68A.401, subsection 1, a report or statement
required to be filed under this chapter shall be signed by the
person filing the report.

Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY. The requirements of section
68A.401, subsection 1, paragraphs "a" and "b", apply to
committees that file a statement of organization on or after
January 1, 2010, and all committees, regardless of when they
filed their statement of organization, on January 1, 2012.

PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 413, Eighty-second General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 2007

CHESTER J. CULVER
Governor